

Practitioner's Docket No. 482.160

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**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

☒ In re application of: Snell, Nathan  
Application No.: 10 /692,943      Group No.:  
Filed: 10-24-03      Examiner:  
For: MECHANISM FOR DISPENSING ITEMS WITHIN A LIQUID TO BE DISPENSED

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Application No./Patent No.: 10/692,943 Filed/Issue Date: Oct. 24, 2003

Title: MECHANISM FOR DISPENSING ITEMS WITHIN A LIQUID TO BE DISPENSED

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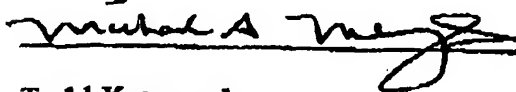
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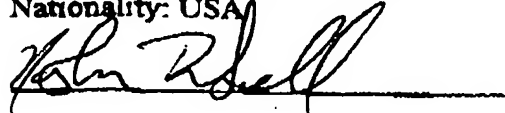
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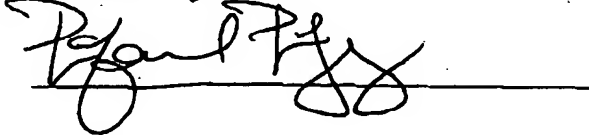


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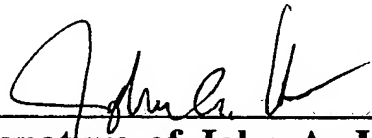
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